



## Media Advisory

### Informal Meeting of EU Energy Ministers

### High Level Conference “Clean Energy for All Europeans – The Way Ahead”

19 April 2018

The informal meeting of EU energy ministers will take place on 19 April 2018 in the National Palace of Culture in Sofia. The motto of the meeting will be “Sustainable Energy Union with a forward-looking climate change policy”. Participants will discuss the progress achieved on the files of the Clean Energy package relating to energy efficiency, renewable energy, the governance of the Energy Union and the Regulation on the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators of the Member States (ACER), and provide guidance for continuing the negotiations. The meeting will be chaired by Temenuzhka Petkova, Minister of Energy of the Republic of Bulgaria.

Following the meeting of EU energy ministers, a high-level conference on “Clean energy for all Europeans – the way ahead” will take place in the National Palace of Culture. The conference will address instruments for transition to a low-carbon economy and regional energy cooperation in the Western Balkans.

## Agenda

### 19 April 2018 | Thursday

#### Informal meeting of energy ministers

#### *Sustainable Energy Union with forward-looking climate change policy*

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| 8:30 – 9:00   | Arrivals at the National Palace of Culture, doorsteps and handshake ( <i>broadcast live</i> ) |
| 8:50 – 9:00   | Roundtable ( <i>broadcast live</i> )  |
| 9:00 – 9:15   | Welcome speech and opening remarks ( <i>broadcast live</i> )                                  |
| 9:15 – 10:30  | <b>Session I: spEEdy RESults for Europe’s decarbonisation</b>                                 |
| 10:30 – 11:45 | <b>Session II: Integrative governance for a Sustainable Energy Union</b>                      |
| 11:45 – 12:45 | <b>Session III: Together for a strong and fair ACER</b>                                       |

- 12:45 – 12:55 Summary of discussions
- 12:55 – 13:05 Family photo
- 13:10 – 13:40 Press conference (*broadcast live*)

### **High-level conference “Clean energy for all Europeans – the way ahead”**

#### ***The Balkan Perspective for Europe’s Low-Carbon Future***

*(The conference will be broadcast on the screens in the press centre inside the National Palace of Culture)*

- 14:00 – 14:20 Opening remarks
- 14:20 – 15:45 **First Panel: Instruments for Transition to a Low-Carbon Economy**
- 15:45 – 17:30 **Second Panel: Regional Energy Cooperation – United We Stand Strong**
- 17:30 Closing of the conference

### **Accreditation information**

Accredited journalists can pick up their badges on Monday, 16 April 2018 at the Registration Desk at Entrance B-2 of the National Palace of Culture between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. Members of the press arriving in Sofia on the day of the event will be able to get their badges at the same entrance upon their arrival at the National Palace of Culture. Only accredited members of the press will have access to the National Palace of Culture. Please note that there are separate badges for the informal meeting of energy ministers and the high-level conference Clean energy for all Europeans. Please point out for which event you have registered when picking up your badge.

### **Photos and videos**

All media opportunities marked in the agenda with “broadcast live” (doorstep statements, handshake, roundtable, press conference) will be streamed live on the [Website of the Bulgarian Presidency](#). Throughout the day, photos and videos will be uploaded in the [Photo](#) and [Video](#) sections of the Website. All official photos from the event are also available for download in high resolution on the [Flickr](#) account of the Bulgarian Presidency. Videos can be downloaded from [Vimeo](#).

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